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PASS DEPARTMENT FOR UNDER SECRETARY COOPER AND EUR/RPE;
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SECRETARY SOLOMON; FEDERAL RESERVE FOR GOVERNOR WALLICH

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SUBJECT: SENIOR OECD SECRETARIAT ECONOMIC VACANCY

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1. REFTTEL INDICATED THAT RODNEY DOBELL, DIRECTOR OF
THE GENERAL ECONOMIC, MONETARY AND GROWTH STUDIES
BRANCH IN THE ECONOMICS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT OF
THE SECRETARIAT, WILL BE RETURNING TO CANADA AT THE END
OF THIS MONTH. MISSION UNDERSTANDS UNOFFICIALLY THAT
LEADING CANDIDATE TO REPLACE DOBELL IS YVES ULLMO,
DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC STUDIES SECTION OF THE NATIONAL
INSTITUTE OF STATISTICS AND ECONOMIC RESEARCH (INSEE)
WITHIN THE FRENCH MINISTRY OF ECONOMICS. ULLMO IS 46
YEARS OF AGE AND HAS DEGREES IN ECONOMICS AND LAW. HE
HAS HELD VARIOUS POSTS WITHIN THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT,
INCLUDING CHIEF OF THE ECONOMIC SERVICES OF THE
PLANNING COMMISSION 1967-1973. HE HAS ALSO TAUGHT AT
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THE ECOLE NATIONAL D'ADMINISTRATION AND OTHER
INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING. MISSION HAS HAD NO
DIRECT CONTACTS WITH ULLMO, BUT WE ARE TOLD THAT HE
ENJOYS AN EXCELLENT REPUTATION IN THE SECRETARIAT.

2. IT APPEARS THAT NO FINAL COMMITMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE
AND THAT AT THE PRESENT STAGE THE OECD SECRETARIAT

HAS MERELY INDICATED ITS POTENTIAL INTEREST TO ULLMO
AND THE LATTER HAS PROMISED TO COME BACK IN EARLY
SEPTEMBER WITH AN INDICATION AS TO WHETHER HE WOULD
ACCEPT THE POSITION IF OFFERED. THUS, THERE IS STILL
OPPORTUNITY TO PUT FORWARD A U.S. CANDIDATE, BUT TIME IS
GROWING SHORT AND A CANDIDATE WOULD NEED TO HAVE
ATTRACTIVE QUALIFICATIONS ALONG THE LINES INDICATED
IN REFTEL TO COMPETE EFFECTIVELY.
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